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AND OTHER LIQUID SAMPLES AND METHODS OF USE OF SAME

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RESPONSE IN REPLY TO FINAL REJECTION OF APRIL 20, 2009

In response to the Final Rejection mailed April 20, 2009, the Applicants respond as follows. The Applicants were given a three-month period in which to reply to the outstanding Office Action making this reply due on or before July 20, 2009. Accordingly, this response is being timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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